

WEATHER FORECAST
Not so Cold Saturday; Sunday
Probably Fair.

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SUPERVISOR'S REPORT

For Week Shows Almost 400,000
Pounds of Tobacco Sold at An
Average of \$16.72.

The Maysville Loose Leaf Tobacco Market closed for the holidays selling a total of 396,900 pounds at an average of \$16.72. The market remained strong on all grades especially the low grades which is in demand. Every basket offered sells at full value. Rejections are very light. The weather remains very unfavorable for striping but we are expecting much larger offerings after the holidays.

All houses will remain open during the holidays so the farmers can get unloaded and weighed at any time. December 23 will be first sale after Christmas. Come in, be on this year's sale for the prices are good. First sale December 23 at the Peoples House.

W. MITCHELL, Supervisor.

Cucumbers and Onions Celery
Queen Olives

Shredded Slaw Mixed Pickles

SOUP Green Sea Turtle Consomme Royal

Raw Saddle Rock Oysters with Lemon

Baked Fresh Halibut, Tartar Sauce

Sirloin of Beef with Mushrooms

Boiled Old Country Ham, Champagne

Sauce

Roast Young Bronze Turkey

Dressing Cranberry Sauce

Braised Sweet Breads Currant Jelly

ROMAN PUNCH

Orange Fritters Sweet Sauce

Escaloped Oysters

Whipped Potatoes Candied Yams

Buttered Beets

Corn Pudding Asparagus

Mince Pie Cherry Pie Cocoanut Pie

Apple Pie

English Plum Pudding with Sauce

Neapolitan Cream

Fruit Cake Angel Food Cake

Cocoanut Cake Pound Cake

Mixed Nuts French Candy

Layer Raisins Layer Figs

Compote Fruit

Cream Cheese Roquefort Cheese

Banquet Wafers

Butter Milk Sweet Milk

Tea Coffee

This dinner will be served for 75 cents per person. Dinner hour 11:30 to 1:30.

Do it today! Do What? Get that suit pressed for Xmas. Phone 337 McNamee will call.

Matinee at the Rink Today. 23-tf

FOLKS,
We Thank You
and Wish You
a Merry Xmas.

MIKE BROWN

The Square Deal Man, of
Square Deal Square

NOTICE--You slow-pokes that
have put off buying until today,
run up to our store, and we
will help you select that gift.

WE WISH ALL OUR
customers and the
customers of all our com-
petitors and everybody
else, a Merry Christmas.

First-Standard Bank
and Trust Company

My Christmas Tree

On Christ-
mas morn-
ing when I
awake, and
sleep-dust from
my eyes I shake, I
see a sight, that
makes me start and
causes thumpings in my
heart! A Christmas tree,
oh, pretty sight—with can-
dles, bells and balls alight,
With horns and dolls and sugar
plums, and skates and trains and
beating drums. And oh, it is a won-
der-tree, with heaps of things for me
to see! Rare gifts hang upon
the side, which tinsel fabrics
cannot hide. A soldier-
doll, a doll house,
too, and strings
of gold
come to my
view, and
as I look I
seem to
hear sweet
Christmas
music soft
and clear.

A Merry Christmas it seems to say,
A merry, happy, holy day!

NO PEACE

Until Belgian Wrongs Righted—Pres-
ident's Successor at Princeton
Points Out Duty of Neu-
trality.

While we still need about \$8.00 yet
with what has already been given and
promised, we can safely say that
the Christmas Dinner will be given at
the Colored High School building
Tuesday, December 26, at 12 o'clock.

While we believe that we have the
names of all the deserving ones who
should be invited to this dinner never-
theless in order that a person, young
or old be not overlooked, we make a per-
sonal request that if any white or col-
ored person, who knows of a person
that is likely to be overlooked, please
phone either Mrs. Salle Marshall,
Mrs. John Taylor, Mrs. W. C. Patton or
write me.

As it now stands there will be at
least 85 at the Christmas Dinner. As
to expressing our appreciation to those
who have no freely given—that will
certainly come later—that will

W. H. HUMPHREY.

Do it today! Do What? Get that
suit pressed for Xmas. Phone 337 Mc-
Namee will call.

MRS. HECUBA SEDDEN

Mrs. Hecuba Sedden died at the
home of her daughter, Mrs. John Stitt
at Covington, Ky., Friday morning at
5 o'clock. Mrs. Sedden was born in
Maysville in 1847, being 69 years of
age at the time of her death. Her hus-
band preceded her to the grave about
35 years ago. She is survived by three
children, Mrs. John Stitt of Covington,
Mrs. Lucy Tucker of Brillion, Mont.,
and Mrs. George Sedden of this country.
She also leaves one brother, Mr.
William Wise of this city and one sister,
Miss Catherine Wise of Cincinnati.
The body will arrive in the city this
afternoon and will be taken directly
to the cemetery for burial. Services
will be conducted by Rev. J. M. Lateral.

CHRISTMAS ENTERTAINMENT AT
BAPTIST CHURCH

The Sunday School of the First
Baptist Church will have their Xmas
entertainment Saturday evening, December
23, at 7 o'clock. The program
committee has been hard at work for
several weeks teaching the little folks,
and a program of songs, recitations
and drills will be given.

The choir will sing Christmas songs,
consisting of solos, and duets. Old
Santa Claus will be present to distrib-
ute presents from the Christmas tree.

All are requested to bring a pound
of something good to eat which will
be turned over to the City Mission for
distribution.

EMPLOYEES REMEMBERED

Mr. A. D. Troxel of Portsmouth, su-
perintendent of the Western and
Southern Life Insurance Co., spent the
day in this city yesterday with local
force and held a very interesting meet-
ing in the company's offices in the
First-Standard Bank building. While
here he presented each of the
company's employees with a beautiful gold
penknife as a greeting of the year.
The local office is making a great record
in the matter of selling insurance,
this being brought about under the ef-
ficient management of Mr. J. H. Ran-
dolph, local superintendent.

SOME RUSH

The work now being done at the
local Postoffice is enormous, all of the
clerks being compelled to work over-
time. The cause of the rush the larger
number of Christmas packages and
Christmas greetings being sent through
the mails. Several extra clerks have
been added to the regular force. The
mail coming from some of the trains
passing through here is so large that
two wagons are required to haul the
same.

All persons in the county and city
that are desirous of obtaining a copy
of the new taxation law may have the
same by asking Hon. Harry Purnell
for a copy.

Practice up for Smittie's Band, at
the Princess Rink. Watch for the
date. 23-tf

Mr. Thomas D. Slattery of Covington
was a visitor in this city yesterday.

Mr. Speed G. Hibler is steadily im-
proving at the hospital.

BETHLEHEM PLANT

To Be Burned Over to United States In
Case of War, Say Charles M.
Schwab.

New York, December 22 — If the
United States should enter war, the
munitions plant of the Bethlehem
Steel Company, greater than the fa-
mous Krupp works at Essen, Germany,
would be turned over to the uses of
this Government, Charles M. Schwab,
president of the company, said in ad-
dressing members of the Lotus Club.
With a capacity of 1,000,000 rounds of
heavy ammunition a month, Schwab
said, his plant was 50 per cent more
efficient than the Krupp works. He
characterizes it as one of the greatest
preparation assets of the United
States.

"I am an optimist," he said, speak-
ing of peace. "Some see disaster if
peace comes, but I look upon peace as
a blessing and I should rejoice in it if
it came. But we want a conclusive
peace and not a peace which will
merely postpone another war."

Admitting that the United States in-
dustrial world is to meet strenuous
competition when peace comes,
Schwab said he felt this country would
be able to meet any competition and
urged a greater American marine as
one of the means of meeting foreign
competition.

Schwab announced that the Bethle-
hem company had made plans for the
erection of a \$4,500,000 plant for build-
ing sixteen-inch guns for the navy.
Federal armor plate plants were at-
tacked by Schwab.

HELD CHRISTMAS ENTERTAIN-
MENT

The Sunday School of the Third
Street M. E. Church held its Christ-
mas entertainment in the church last
night. Each of the classes of the
school was responsible for a number
not to exceed five minutes in length.
Some of the numbers were excellen-
t and all had the central thought of
Christmas. Following the entertain-
ment a treat was given to the school.

ALL TRAINS LATE

All of the passenger trains on the
C. & O. Railroad in the past few days
have been very late on account of the
heavy travel. Much express and mail
is also being carried by these trains
which has a tendency to hold them
back.

SCARFS PINS, CUFF BUTTONS, WALDEMAR
CHAINS, TIE CLASPS, MATCH SAFES, SET
AND SEAL RINGS.

MURPHY'S JEWELRY STORE

The many friends of Mr. Louis Na-
den will be glad to hear that he is im-
proving nicely from his recent illness.

Last call for that press you prom-
ised your suit. McNamee will call
for it at once Phone 337.

WE WISH YOU A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS

May the prosperity which has come with the closing
months of 1916 make the coming year one of abundant good
fortune for you, rich in health, happiness and success.

To make others happy is to give the truest happiness,
therefore don't forget THE MISSION CHRISTMAS STOCK-
ING.

As usual we will not open our store Christmas, but will
give the day for rest and pleasure to our employees who have
so cheerfully borne the strain of holiday selling.

J. M. HUNT.

Some good, old fashioned customs

Go out of style, no doubt,

But sending Christmas greetings

We couldn't do without;

And so the custom lingers---

Let us hope it always will--

For the same old-fashioned friendship

Prompts the same old greeting still.

MERZ BROS.

THE LEDGER is an adver-
tising medium that brings re-
sults. Our rates are consist-
ent with circulation. Try us.

A NICE PRESENT

Ever-ready Safety Razor \$1.00. Gem Safety Razor \$1.00.
Durham Duplex Razor \$1.00 to \$5.00. Movie Picture Glasses
75¢ and \$1. Thermos Lunch Box Sets \$1.75 and \$2.00. Fancy
Box Stationery 35¢ and up. Shaving Glasses and Sets. Com-
plete line of fine Perfumes and Toilet Waters.

M. F. WILLIAMS & COMPANY
CORNER THIRD AND MARKET STREETS

TEACHERS LEAVE

Julia Van Arsdale to Flemingsburg;
Mr. Lewis B. Duke to Monmouth,
Iowa, and Mr. Beals E. L. French to
Elliotville, N. Y. Maysville certain-
ly has an excellent corps of teachers
in the various states of the union: Miss
Marjorie and they represent almost every sec-
tion of the country.

JUST RECEIVED

Delayed shipment of Xmas Goods,
Dolls, Toys, Games, Novelties all to
be sold at discount prices. Come
quick. DE NUZIE.

NO LEDGER MONDAY

In pursuance of our usual
custom there will be no ed-
ition of the Ledger published
on Monday. The entire force
will receive two days' vacation
and all will have plenty of
time to prepare for and en-
joy Christmas.

MERRY XMAS AT PASTIME

The Pastime wishes you a Merry
Xmas and offers for your entertain-
ment on Xmas afternoon and night,
Edna Mayo and Eugene O'Brien in
"The Chaperton."

DEPOSIT YOUR TOBACCO CHECKS WITH THE FARMERS & TRADERS BANK

DEPOSIT YOUR TOBACCO CHECKS WITH THE FARMERS
& TRADERS BANK. 3 PER CENT INTEREST PAID ON TIME
DEPOSITS. OUR BANK IS THE HOME OF THE FARMER, AND
HE IS ALWAYS WELCOME, AT THE LITTLE BANK ON THE
CORNER WITH THE BIG BUSINESS.

OUR CHRISTMAS SAVINGS CLUB OPENS MONDAY, DE-
CEMBER 11.

C. L. WOOD, CASHIER.

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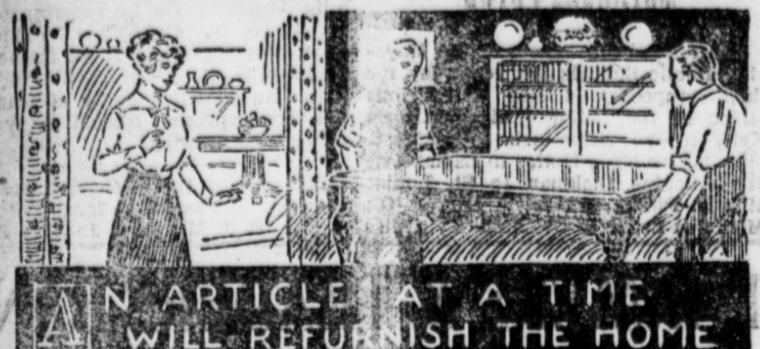
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A MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL

To our Patrons and Friends:

At this joyous holiday season our thoughts go out to each of our friends, to assure them of our appreciation of their Good Will; to wish them Prosperous in their Undertakings, Wisdom for the Work, Peace for the Pathway, Friends for the Fireside and Strength to the last. Season's Greetings.

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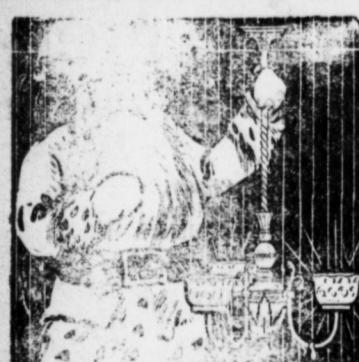


IN REFURNISHING THE HOME IT IS NOT NECESSARY TO MAKE THE ENTIRE OUTLAY AT ONCE.

Do it systematically, adding one new article ever so often. By adopting this plan with us where we can maintain the harmony of design all through you will be surprised how soon and at how small a cost the home will be furnished throughout.

McIlvain, Knox & Diener Co.
(Incorporated)

Furniture and Undertaking. Day Phone 250. Night Phone 19.



A CHRISTMAS ORNAMENT
That will be of permanent utility in the home is a handsome gas fixture. The gas furnished by the Maysville Gas Company gives the best and cheapest illumination, and in putting it in you can add to the beauty of the equipment of your home. See us for your gas stoves.

MAYSVILLE NATURAL GAS SUPPLY COMPANY
New Oldfield Building, Sutton Street.
Telephone 59. H. O. WOOD, Manager.

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS—MARKET CLOSES THURSDAY, DECEMBER 21; OPENS THURSDAY, DECEMBER 28, 1916.

AS USUAL--WE LEAD!

The Maysville Market since opening has averaged \$16.27 per hundred. Farmers and Planters Warehouse since opening has averaged \$16.47 per hundred.

Some specials:

J. N. MAINS, Mason County	Average \$20.87
JOE BLEVINS, Greenup County	Average 19.98
OWENS & REES, Mason County	Average 19.58
DEMING & ORME, Robertson County	Average 19.44
BRUCE HARRISON, Lewis County	Average 18.26

Why not sell at the house that gets the top of the market at all times?

The Farmers & Planters Warehouse Co.
(Incorporated)

MAYSVILLE, KY.

A. L. POWERS, General Manager. A. M. JANUARY, Secretary-Treasurer.

ALF. FORBES, Auctioneer.

**DAIRY FEED
AND
CHICKEN FEED
AT
J. C. EVERETT & CO.'**

For Christmas
Eureka Cleaner.
Eden Washer.
Cash or Credit.

**ELECTRIC SHOP
OF
MAYSVILLE GAS CO.**

TOMATOES

Why not get the best? It costs no more than the ordinary brands

MAYSVILLE'S CHURCHES

Where Religious Exercises Will Be Held on the Sabbath.

Christian Science Church.
Christian Science Church Sunday at 10:45 a. m. G. A. R. Hall, Cox Building.

German Lutheran Church.
Preaching at the German Lutheran Church Sunday at ten-thirty by Rev. Pilich.

Central Presbyterian Church.
Sunday School at 9:30 a. m., J. B. Wood, Superintendent.

Christian Endeavor 6:15 p. m.

Prayer meeting Wednesday 7 p. m.

No preaching until further notice.

St. Patrick's Church.

Until differently announced, the services will accord with this schedule:

Sunday: First mass at 8 a. m. Second mass at 10 a. m. Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament at 3 p. m.

Week Days: Masses at 6:30 and 8 a. m.

First Presbyterian Church.
Preaching by the pastor at 10:45 a. m. and 7 p. m.

Sunday School at 9:30 a. m., A. M. Cochran, Superintendent.

Christian Endeavor at 6:15 p. m.

The Christmas Exercises of the Sunday School take place at 7 p. m.

All cordially invited.

First Baptist Church.
Bible School at 9:30 a. m.

Preaching services at 10:45 a. m. and 7 p. m. by pastor N. F. Jones. Subjects, morning, "A Saviour, which is Christ the Lord;" evening, "The Glory of the Lord."

Short sermons.

B. Y. P. U. at 6 p. m., subject, "Special Improvement Through the Holy Spirit."

Church of the Nativity.
(Fourth Sunday in Advent)

Sunday School 9:30 a. m.

Morning Prayer 10:45 a. m.

Evening service 7 p. m.

The Rev. Earl Wheat, Chaplain of Suwanee Military Institute will preach at the morning service.

Christmas Day.

Morning Prayer and Holy Communion at 10:30 a. m.

The Church will be beautifully decorated and special music by a large choir.

Wednesday.

The Sunday School entertainment at 7 p. m.

Services Friday at 4 p. m.

J. H. FIELDING, Rector.

Third Street M. E. Church.

All services tomorrow will be in harmony with the spirit of Christmas. The pastor, Rev. S. K. Hunt, will preach a Christmas sermon at 10:45 a. m. at which service the glorious Christmas hymns of the church will be sung.

Sunday School at 9:30 a. m. L. M. Lane, Superintendent. Every member of the school is urged to be present.

The Epworth League service at 6:15 p. m. will be led by Miss Helen Newman. Topic, "The First Christmas Miracle and Ours."

The Christmas cantata, "The Light Eternal," will be given by the choir beginning at 7:15 p. m.

The public, Christmas visitors in our city, and everyone who can come are cordially invited to all services.

Christian Church.

At both the morning and evening services there will be worship in keeping with the Christmas spirit. In the morning the Christmas sermon will be preached and in the evening the "White Gifts for the King" order of exercises will be followed. At this evening services, there will be recitations from some of the younger members of the school which will be followed by the bringing of White Gifts to the King, Jesus. At this time the lights will be lowered so as to make the service more effective. All gifts are to be wrapped in white. They may consist of any thing any one cares to bring. The members are requested to also bring written resolutions of their good intentions for this next year. These can either be dropped into the collection basket or be placed on the platform with the other white gifts.

Morning Church services at 10:20; evening service at 7. AH welcome.

A. F. STAHL, Pastor.

OUR COLORED CITIZENS

The Bethel Baptist Sunday School will render a program and have its Christmas tree on Monday evening.

The following is the program to be rendered:

Chorus, Merry, Merry Christmas—School.

Recitation, Mrs. Santa Claus—Mattice Lee Johnson.

Exercise, Christmas Guesses—Edna Johnson, Neva Johnson, Lucille Davis, Alberta Warner.

Play, Christmas Wishes—Nellie Commodore, William Washington, Lizzie Hines, Bertie Johnson and others.

Chorus, Santa Claus Has Come to Town—Primary Pupils.

Exercise, Jolly Old Santa—Genevieve Lang, Carrie Gallagher, Dorothy Braxton, Annie Hall and others.

Play, Baking for Christmas—Ambrosia Beckett, Ella Marshall, Marcia Fields, Porter Jackson, Bert Gordon.

Duet, A Christmas Wish—Ethel Thompson and Lizzie Hines.

Play, The Santa Claus Brigade—Mattice Gallagher, James Jackson, Elizabeth Alexander, Laurence Breckinridge, John Jackson, Nannie Marshall.

Solo and Chorus, I Wonder Who—Mary Ewing and Primary Pupils.

Dialogue, What Thank Have Ye?—Doris Mason, Clara Hall, Alene Jackson, Florence Lang, Lulu Gordon.

Chorus, When Our Dear Old Santa Comes—Junior Chorus.

Recitation, Christmas—Charles Henry Self.

Solo, Awake My Soul—Miss Beatrice Jackson.

Address, The Spirit of Giving—Prof. W. H. Humphrey.

MISS FRANCES STRAWDER, Superintendent.

Superintendent.

WORK THAT TELLS
Plenty of It Has Been Done Right
Here in Maysville.

To thoroughly know the virtues of a medicine you must investigate its work. Doan's Kidney Pills stand this test, and plenty of proof exists right here in Maysville. People who testified years ago to relief from backache, kidney and urinary disorders, now give confirmed testimony—declare the results have lasted. How can any Maysville suffer longer doubt the evidence?

Henry S. Gallenstein, blacksmith, 124 W. Third St., Maysville, says: "My kidneys were out of order and I had pains through my back. Doan's Kidney Pills put an entire stop to the pains and my kidneys became well." (Statement given January 9, 1912.)

RESULTS THAT REMAIN

OVER FOUR YEARS LATER, or on November 14, 1916, Mr. Gallenstein said: "I haven't had any need of a kidney medicine since I last recommended Doan's Kidney Pills. The benefit they gave me has been permanent."

Mr. Gallenstein is only one of many Maysville people who have gratefully endorsed Doan's Kidney Pills. If your back aches—if your kidneys bother you, don't simply ask for a kidney remedy—ask distinctly for DOAN'S KIDNEY PILLS, the same that Mr. Gallenstein has twice publicly recommended—the remedy backed by home testimony, 500 all stores. Foster-Milburn Co., Props., Buffalo, N. Y. "When Your Back is Lame—Remember the Name."

IN MEMORIAM

In memory of the late Charles T. Marshall, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. K. Marshall, who passed to the great beyond Saturday, November 25th, 1916. Mr. Marshall's devoted love for his family continued beyond expression. A devoted and faithful husband and father, finding his pleasure in the work God assigned to him. A faithful Christian, being a member of the Lewisburg Baptist Church since his early manhood.

In the social relations of life, where men are most effectively tried, no spot can be detected in him.

He was a patient devout reverent son; a generous, compassionate, tender husband; an honest, careful, and most affectionate father. Never was a more virtuous or a happier husband than his. The influence of his mighty genius shadowed it imperceptibly; his calm good sense, and his angelic sweetness of heart and temper regulated and softened a strict but paternal discipline.

A high and pure sense of duty presided over whatever he had to do as a citizen; and as a landlord he considered his estate as an extension of his heart.

Mr. Marshall leaves a faithful and devoted mother, Mrs. Eliza Marshall, and wife who was formerly Miss Lutie Owens of the county; one son, Mr. Alexander K. Marshall; one sister, Mrs. Mae Marshall Adams of Georgetown, Ky., to mourn his demise. And they are together again in the home God has prepared for us all. "He cannot die who truly lives. For virtue has immortal breath. Tis but the sowing of the grain, Which blossoms into life again. And finds perfectness in its death."

We extend our sincere and heartfelt thanks to our relatives, friends, and neighbors for the sympathy and kind expressions of love extended to us in our late sorrow and bereavement in the loss of our dearly beloved husband, father, brother and son.

A FRIEND.

FAMILY AVOIDS
SERIOUS SICKNESS

By Being Constantly Supplied With

Thedford's Black-Draught.

McDuff, Va.—"I suffered for several years," says Mrs. J. B. Whittaker, of his place, "with sick headache, and stomach trouble."

Ten years ago a friend told me to try Thedford's Black-Draught, which I did and I found it to be the best family medicine for young and old.

I keep Black-Draught on hand all the time now, and when my children feel a little bad, they ask me for a dose, and it does them more good than any medicine they ever tried.

We never have a long spell of sickness in our family, since we commenced using Black-Draught."

Thedford's Black-Draught is purely vegetable and has been found to regulate weak stomachs, aid digestion, relieve indigestion, colic, wind, nausea, headache, sick stomach, and similar symptoms.

It has been in constant use for more than 70 years, and has relieved more than a million people.

Your druggist sells and recommends Black-Draught. Price only 25c. Get a package to-day.

N. C. 12.

NOTICE TO TELEPHONE
SUBSCRIBERS

In accordance with agreement with City Council rental for telephone service from July 1st, to December 31st, 1916, will be at same rates as paid by subscribers prior to July 1st.

All subscribers who have not paid their rental accounts will be entitled to the discount if paid on or before December 15th, 1916. Those subscribers who have paid will receive credit for the overpayment on their January bill.

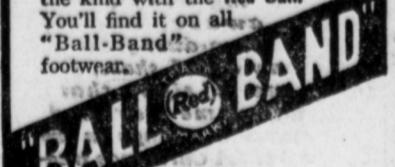
Please pay accounts promptly and take advantage of the discount.

Maysville Telephone Co.
(Incorporated.)

Out of about 400 different kinds of British birds only about 140 remain in that country all the year round.

You save money on
rubber footwear with
the RED BALL

You save because you get more comfort and more actual days of wear and service than from any other footwear you can buy. Rubber boots, arctics, knit boots—"Ball-Band" quality is always the highest. That is why we recommend it and sell it. Get the kind with the Red Ball. You'll find it on all "Ball-Band" footwear.



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CHRISTMAS DAY

Mary Pickford

In the Best and Most Expensive
Picture Ever Shown in Maysville

"LESS THAN DUST"

Clara Kimball Young

In a Fine Dra-
matic Feature

"THE FEAST OF LIFE"

Admission 25c. Matinee at 2:30 O'clock Every Day Next Week.

WASHINGTON OPERA HOUSE

A CHRISTMAS FABLE



66 Mary Graham Bonner

Drawings by Ray Walters

THE snow glistened in the sparkling sunlight. The flakes of snow kept falling, falling. Some stopped to rest on the branches of the pine trees and the little leafless bushes. Some fell straight to the ground and made the snow grow deeper and whiter and softer.

In the center of the woods was a high throne upon which sat a King dressed in red with fur of soft white which looked like snow, and on this head was a crown of gleaming jewels. Around the King sat the Royal Family. There were Princes and Princesses, the Queen and hundreds of pages. The King arose from his throne and spoke: "This is the greatest festival in the year,"

he said, "and its name is Christmas. It is the day of love and cheer and happiness. We give presents and we are given presents. We think of others and others think of us. It is the day to give! And I, your King, will now begin the celebrations."

The Queen was smiling. Her eyes were full of gladness and the Princes and Princesses were merry and gay.

"The day of giving" they were all saying. "The most glorious day in the year!"

The pages rushed about this way and that, and from afar came the sound of music. The music grew louder and the voices seemed to come from everywhere. From all corners of the world it seemed as if everyone must be singing, and the King and Royal Family joined in the song. No one quite knew what was the name of the song. No one quite knew what the tune might be, but somehow everyone was singing it—for the song was the song of joy and the tune was happiness. And all knew that song, all knew its tune and throughout the world that day there was singing. Some did not know how to sing the words, some did not know how to make the sounds with their voices, but for these there was the music in their hearts—the love in their hearts for all the people under the sun.

But the pages had emptied before the throne packs with many different sorts of presents. And the King was presenting them to the Princes and Princesses. Then came more and more presents, and more and more of the Royal Family appeared. For they were all arriving for the Great Festival. There were hundreds and thousands and they received presents and they gave presents. The singing went on, the music was mingled with laughter and the happy voices of children were heard.

Soon the children came trooping by. They passed before the throne and the King did not seem to frighten them. He did not seem to be a King of whom to be afraid. All his subjects seemed to love him and he seemed to rule with a sceptre of wonderful kindness. And as the children paused before the throne they said in whispers to each other:

"Look! On the throne is carved the words, 'Merry Christmas to all in the world this day!' And on the sceptre is written, 'Love, this is the guide to happiness.'"

And then on a mighty pine tree lights appeared and the snow flakes on the branches changed and drooped down heavily laden with presents.

And the tree spoke too: "I am the Christmas tree. For years and years I have gone into homes each Christmas Day."

There are many trees but we all have the one name—the Christmas tree—and our

King bids us go to many a Christmas festival. Our branches hold gifts and candies of different colors to give the bright light of good cheer."

And from all around the children are opening stockings that they had found hanging on low branches, filled with oranges and candies, nuts and toys. While they were dancing and laughing as they opened many mysterious little packages, the King spoke again:

"Good-bye to all," he said. "I will be back for the festival next year. Come my fine animals! Come my gorgeous chariot!"

Jingling of bells was heard—they were the Christmas bells on the Reindeers and up they pranced to take the King to his home far away. For the King was none other than Santa Claus!

And all of a sudden the scene changed and instead of one great throne many homes could be seen—big homes and little homes but in all there was a Queen—the mother of the children whom on Christmas Day Santa Claus calls his Royal Family.

Instead of Princes and Princesses they were all children. Instead of one great tree there were many trees. And in place of the sparkling snow and the woods there were fireplaces and green decorations and bright red berries.

For once a year Santa Claus dreams this dream—this Christmas fable. He sees not the hundreds of homes he has visited. He does not see the different mothers. He does not see the children scattered over the earth. He has been to many homes but to him it is all as one. And it is a true dream, too!

For every Christmas Queen is a mother with love in her heart, and there are the fathers who sit on the throne of Santa Claus on Christmas Day with "A Merry Christmas" inscribed in letters which only the children of Santa's dream can see, but which all the children of the world can feel. And the Royal Family—the Princes and the Princesses—they are all children. Not unusual children, but usual children. They are the children who give joy just because they are children, and they are given pleasure because they too can give.

Yes, all over the world, in hundreds of homes after the visit of Santa Claus there is happiness. And because it is Christmas Day there is cheer and good will. And the gifts that Santa Claus receives are the smiling eyes and the merry voices of children as they shout their delight over the Christmas festival.

He is the King—not of a country, nor of a land—but of a Day, Christmas Day, and his subjects are the Children of the World.

For him there is this fable. He can dream of the joy that is in the hearts of all on Christmas morning, while he is sitting on his throne and his chariot drawn by Reindeers is waiting to take him back home!

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No. 10 arrives 9:50 a. m., daily except Sunday.
No. 13 arrives 2:05 p. m. daily.
No. 14 arrives 8:30 p. m., daily except Sunday.
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No. 2—1:45 p. m.
No. 16—5:35 p. m.
No. 18—8:00 p. m.
No. 4—10:45 p. m.
WEST BOUND—
No. 19—5:25 a. m.
No. 5—6:25 a. m.
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No. 1—9:59 a. m.
No. 3—3:30 p. m.
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